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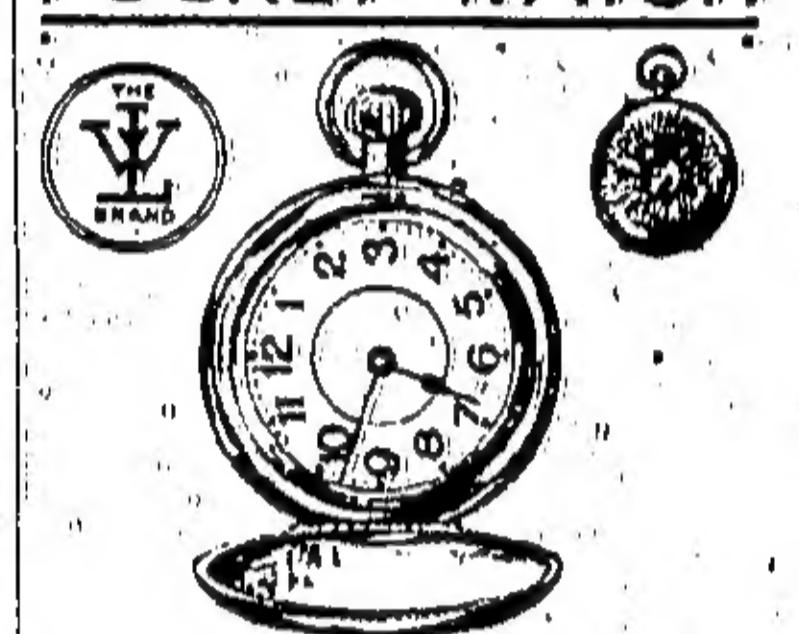
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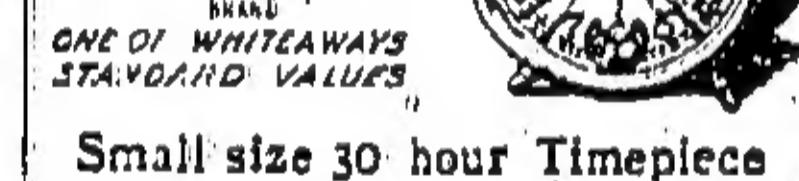
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"REDS" WIN.

Extremists Seize Nationalist Party Machinery.

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"REDS" IN POWER.

Extremists Seize Government Machinery.

Wireless messages received at Shanghai and transmitted to the Hong Kong naval authorities report that the Extremists have seized the machinery of the Nationalist Party and Communists have been appointed to many of the ministries.

Direct evidence is forthcoming in a Chinese cable of the assumption of power by the Nationalist politicians at Hankow.

This action, or decision, is the result of the Kuomintang conference which passed a series of resolutions (at Hankow) with considerable bearing on the executive authority of the Party and of the Government.

Seaman as Minister.

The cable referred to says that the Nationalist Government at Hankow has organised a number of new ministries, for which ministers have been appointed and that it is expected that the proper appointment will be made in a few days.

"Among the nominations are those of Mr. So Shiu-ching to be Minister of Labour and Mr. Tam Ping-shan to be head of the Agriculturalists' Ministry.

Mr. So was once connected with the Hong Kong Chinese Seamen's Union. He later became head of the Union in Canton. When the strike broke out in 1925 he became the chairman of the Strike Delegates Committee, the highest power in the Canton boycott and picket world.

"Violent" Communist.

Latterly he migrated to Hankow where he has continued his "extremist" activity in labour circles.

Mr. Tam Ping-shan is commonly known as one of the most violent of Communists, belonging to the clique of which Liao Chung-kai (who was assassinated in 1925) was the founder.

The proposals of these names alone, much more the actual appointments to come, tend to show that the Extremists are in power at Hankow and that they have come out with deliberate moves to assume the reins of government, in spite of what General Chang Kai-shek has said.

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The new Ministers will be chosen by the Political Council of the Kuomintang—Canton Gazette."

EMPHATIC ANSWER.

Churchill and Shanghai Cost.

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Comr. Kenworthy (Labour) suggested that these patriots now be asked to contribute to the cost of the Defence Force.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer evoked Conservative cheers by replying "Certainly not," they are suffering more than any other class of British subjects."—Reuter.

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LEAVING SHANGHAI?

Northern Vanguard Now Retreating.

CANTON'S CONTINUED ADVANCE.

Northern vanguards in the vicinity of Shanghai are to retreat, says cable to the "Wah Yat Po."

Had it not been for the strike of workmen on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway (adds the message), some of Marshal Chang Tsung-chang's troops would have already left.

Military observers confirm the threat by the Cantonese on Nanking, capital of Kiangsu province and the main base of the Northern Army in the Shanghai, Taihu Lake and East Anhui sectors.

Just now the Nationalists are advancing rapidly on two of these sectors. One arm is closing on Nanking by following the Yangtze, and another is striking northwards to endanger the railway line from Nanking to Peking.

Should Nanking Fall?

Should this line once be cut the Northern vanguard will be practically cut off by land from their home in Shanghai.

It is because of the activity on these two sectors that there is little fighting on the front nearest to (and south of) Shanghai.

To cope with the relentless series of thrusts by the Southerners from their new base at Wuhu, the Northern warlords are stated to be prepared drastically to reduce their garrison at Shanghai so as to reinforce their strength at Nanking.

All military experts are agreed that should Nanking fall, the cap-

BIRDS OF A FEATHER.

A Hankow message "special to the 'Canton Gazette'" states that Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of Communications, Mr. Hsu Chien, Minister of Justice, and Mr. M. Borodin, High Adviser to the Nationalist Government, spoke at a gigantic mass meeting held on March 12 in commemoration of the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Interference by the Socialist party has not made the matter easy," said the Right Hon. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, at Ellesmere.

"They seem to mistake themselves for the Government of the country. They

have chosen one particular Chinese leader and sent him messages, which he apparently returned. No one in this country has called our preparation aggressive, except certain wrong-headed Labour leaders, and Mr. Lloyd George, in a weak moment."

"Mr. Lloyd George and those foolish leaders of the Socialist party, who had spoken as though Britain desired more territory or extended powers in China, knew perfectly well that what they were saying was absolutely untrue.

"All that the Socialist party can do," he went on, "is to invent some idiotic slogan. Their latest is 'Hands off China'." Who on earth has got their hands on China (Laughter and cheers). The aggression of the lamb is the nearest thing I can find to parallel what is called the aggression of the British Government. We have got to defend our fellow-subjects in Shanghai somehow, and we can do so only by sending soldiers, sailors, or airmen. In a question of defence it is far better to send too many than too few. We do not want a repetition of Khartoum. If there is no danger there will be nobody more pleased or happy than the Government of this country. But if there were to be danger no one would forgive this or any other Government for not having taken the precautions which we have in fact taken." (Cheers.)

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Rev. Dr. J. P. Bruce's Plan for China.

London, March 17. Local autonomy for the provinces, with power to elect Governors, vote taxes, control armies and the Central Government, which is only assigned revenues from the Customs, Posts and Railways, was a plan suggested for a stable government for China by the Rev. Dr. J. P. Bruce, lecturer on Chinese language and literature at London University in a lecture to the Central Asian Society.

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OFFICIAL SECRETS.

Former Naval Officer Charged.

AN "EXTREMELY GRAVE" CASE.

London, March 17. Bow Street was crowded for the opening of a case which a detective described as being of "extreme gravity," relating to a retired naval lieutenant, Commander Colin Mayers, of Barrow-in-Furness, who is charged with an offence under the Official Secrets Act the exact nature of which is not disclosed.

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\$150 FINE.

Lance-Sergeant Loses Revolver.

"GROSS CARELESSNESS."

Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, D.S.P., charged Lance-Sergeant Charles Findlay with violation of his position by losing his revolver and holster while on duty between 2 and 4.35 a.m., on March 16.

Defendant pleaded "guilty."

Magistrate: Is that all you got to say?—Yes.

You have no explanation to offer as to how it was lost?

Defendant replied that he reported for duty at 2 a.m. and returned to Central Station at 3.40 for coffee. He unbuckled his belt then and buckled it on again at 3.45 when he once more paraded for duty. He went out with the Nos. 7 and 8 duties at 3.55. After leaving the station, he walked up Old Bailey to Caine Road, where he discovered the loss of his revolver. He retraced his steps and made a search for the revolver.

Not finding it, he reported the loss to the Inspector on duty at 4.35. All he could say was that he had the revolver when he buckled his belt on at the station.

In reply to His Worship, defendant said that the only thing he could suggest was that the holster strap gave way.

Magistrate: Do you think it is possible that carrying a Service revolver like that you could have failed to notice that it had fallen off? I mean, the weight of it on your belt should have made you conscious of its presence or otherwise.

Mr. Wolfe read Inspector Spear's entry to the effect that defendant reported at 4.35 the loss of a revolver, six rounds of ammunition, and a holster at 4.05 while on duty between Old Bailey, Caine Road and Elgin Street.

The Magistrate enquired why in the charge the time was given as between 2 and 4.35 a.m., and Mr. Wolfe explained that that was done to provide for the doubt as to whether or not His Worship would believe the defendant's statement that he had the revolver at the time he returned to the station for his 15 minutes' rest and coffee.

Questioned by the Magistrate as to the routine followed when going on duty, Mr. Wolfe said Europeans went on duty at different times from Indians and Chinese. The defendant's period of duty was six hours from 2 to 8 a.m. He was entitled to 15 minutes' rest at the station, however, and after his coffee it was his duty to take out the Indians and Chinese of Nos. 7 and 8 duties. This was found necessary as a matter of discipline because when the Indians and Chinese used to go out alone before they

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COMPANY REPORT.

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The report of the Hong Kong Fire

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tion to the 58th ordinary meeting

on March 28 reads:—

The general managers and con-

sulting committee have pleasure in

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58th annual report of the company.

Working Account 1926.—This ac-

count shows a surplus of

\$529,101.49.

Reinsurance Fund.—It is pro-

posed to appropriate \$20,474,10.5 at ex-

change 1/11% equals \$209,101.49,

out of the profits of the year 1925 to

the credit of this Fund. The Fund

will then stand at \$229,442,16.7.

Dividend.—The general managers

and consulting committee have

pleasure in recommending a divi-

dend of 8¢ per share absorbing

\$20,000.00.

Working Account 1926.—The

balance at credit of this account is

\$67,786.63.

Consulting Committee.—The

general managers regret to have

to record the death of Sir C. P.

Chatte, C.M.G., who has been

actively interested in this company

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member of the consulting committee.

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Bernard Brown, A. H. Compton,

A. S. Gubbay, T. E. Pearce and

H. P. White retire but, being eligible

offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have

been audited by Messrs. Lowe,

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of this Association will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 28th March, 1927, at 5.30 p.m. to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926, and to elect Officers, etc.

G. E. S. UPSIDELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

12th Annual Sports Meeting on the University Ground, Pokfulam on Saturday, March 26th, 1927, 2.30 p.m.

POST ENTRY EVENTS:

1. Half Mile Race, open to the Colony (at about 4.30 p.m.)
2. Post Students' Race 220 yards Handicap, (at about 4 p.m.)

N. P. KARANJIA,
Hon. Secretary,
Athletic Association,
Hong Kong, March 18th, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 26th March, 1927, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at 12 o'clock NOON on SATURDAY, the 19th of March, 1927.

Hong Kong, 16th March, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.

EXTRA MEETINGS have been fixed provisionally for the following dates:-

28th March.

18th and 19th April.

7th May.

4th and 6th June.

25th June.

8th and 10th October.

5th November.

26th November.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th March, 1927.

NOTICE.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL DINNER of the Association will take place on SATURDAY, the 27th April, at 8 p.m. in the Hall of Queen's College.

Members desiring to attend are requested to communicate with the Hon. Treasurer, Chow Ping-yan, Esq., c/o Assurance Franco-Asiatic, China Building.

By Order,

Queen's College Old Boys' Association.

C. G. ANDERSON,

Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 17th March, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th March, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

THE SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 23rd March, 1927, both days inclusive.

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TENYO MARU Monday, 4th April, at Noon.
KOREA MARU (Calls Kielung) Sunday, 17th April, at 10 a.m.
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SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
ANYO MARU Tuesday, 3rd May, at Noon.
BOKUYO MARU Wednesday, 8th June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Ports.
HARUNA MARU Saturday, 26th March at 11 a.m.
KAMO MARU Saturday, 9th April.
KATORI MARU Saturday, 22nd April.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.
TANGO MARU Wednesday, 23rd March, at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU Wednesday, 20th April.
NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
TAKETOYO MARU Saturday, 26th March.
MAYEBASHI MARU Monday, 4th April.
LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
LIMA MARU Monday, 11th April.
BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
HAKATA MARU Saturday, 26th March.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.
TAMBA MARU Monday, 11th April.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.
NAGANO MARU Sunday, 20th March.
GENOA MARU Sunday, 27th March.
RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.
TOMIURA MARU Friday, 25th March.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
MISHIMA MARU Saturday, 23rd April.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
MORIOKA MARU Sunday, 20th March.
ATSUTA MARU Tuesday, 22nd March.
TSURUGA MARU Wednesday, 23rd April.
AWA MARU Thursday, 31st March.
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Steamers	Sailings from Marseilles	Arr. at Hong Kong & Sailings for Shanghai and Japan	Sailings from Hong Kong to Marseilles
PAUL LEGAT ... A	11th Feb.	17th Mar.	29th Mar.
G. METZINGER ... A	22nd Feb.	18th Mar.	18th April
AMAZONE ... A	11th Mar.	12th April	20th April
CHENONNAUX ... A	23rd Mar.	12th April	16th May
ATHOS II ... A	26th Mar.	12th April	16th May
DARTAGNAN ... A	6th Apr.	10th May	7th June

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SHIPPING SECTION.

SIX PETITIONS

LOCAL BOAT DEPT
CANTON

The sixth petition is reported to have been submitted to the Nationalist authorities for the release of the local small steamer "Ng Tai Chow" (Chinese flag) which was seized by the Canton Navy on grounds of alleged arms smuggling, but without success.

This boat ran the strike pickets' cordon during the boycott and plied between Hong Kong and the Sze Yap districts, via Ma-lau-chau, outside Macao.

SHIP "FOUND."

LIMCHOW" BEING TOWED TO HAIPHONG.

After leaving Hong Kong for Haiphong, the Chinese a.s. "Limchow" signalled by wireless that her propeller was damaged and that she was adrift.

A series of efforts were made to locate the vessel. Yesterday it was learned that the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co.'s tug "Henry Kewick," which had responded to the distress call, had found the ship in North Channel and was then towing her to Haiphong.

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SHIPS IN PORT.

London, March 17.

The Australian cruiser "Australia" has been launched at Clydebank as the first of two 10,000-ton cruisers provided by the Australian naval programme.

The other cruiser, the "Carnarvon," is also being constructed at Clydebank. — Reuter.

HARBOUR OFFENCE.

For dredging the harbour bed of the Naval Anchorage, without permission, the mistress of a fishing junk was fined £1 at the Marine Court this morning.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex a.s. "General Metzinger" are reminded that claims must be sent to the Agent before March 26 or they will not be recognised.

GROUNDED IN FOG.

SMALL BOATS UNLUCKY PLIGHT.

TOWING ROPE SNAPS.

The Hong Kong-Shanghai a.s. "Cheung On" has been unlucky enough to be damaged a second time through running aground outside Lyuemun during the recent fog.

The hull was slightly damaged through contact with rocks on the sea-bed. Then the wire-rope of a small tug snapped just as the little steamer was being floated off and she sustained further damage.

The "Cheung On" will now have to be docked for some days and the repairs will cost a considerable sum.

This boat stopped running for a good many months during the boy-cott.

ECHO OF THE "LAURENTIC."

The Admiralty have decided to dispose of their salvage steamer "Racer," which, after a distinguished career as a sloop in various parts of the world, won renown for herself by salvaging nearly £5,000,000 of gold from the wreck of H.M. auxiliary cruiser "Laurentic" by enemy action off Fanad Head,ough Swilly, on 26th January, 1917.

It is interesting to note that after a not undistinguished naval career she had a narrow escape of being broken up under Lord Fisher's famous scrapping order, but there was still work for the "Racer" to do, and in 1917 she was overhauled and fitted out as a salvage steamer. Re-engined with the starboard engine of an old torpedo boat, fitted with two 17-ton derricks and powerful pumps, her service in salvaging was no less distinguished than it had been in destroying, and infinitely more profitable. Her record in salvaging the "Laurentic's" gold was a magnificent piece of work, but the story is too fresh in the minds of everyone to require recapitulation.

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EMPEROR OF CANADA	Leave Mar. 30	Leave Apr. 2	Arrive Apr. 8	Arrive Apr. 17	
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Apr. 20	Apr. 23	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPEROR OF ASIA	May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 10	July 15	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11

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LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

ALASKA MARU Monday, 11th April.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.

HAWAII MARU Friday, 8th April.

LA PLATA MARU Thursday, 5th May.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

SUMATRA MARU Sunday, 3rd April.

HONOLULU MARU Tuesday, 19th April.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

CANADA MARU Friday, 18th March.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

BINGO MARU Sunday, 27th March.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.

ARIZONA MARU Saturday, 26th March.

HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.

MENADO MARU Friday, 18th March, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

ARGUN MARU (From Shanghai) Friday, 18th April.

JAPAN PORTS

SOURABAYA MARU Friday, 25th March.

ANDES MARU Wednesday, 13th April.

KEELING Via SWATOW & AMOY.

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MACEDONIA	19,120	2nd April	Marseilles & London
KNYBER	9,114	14th April	Marseilles, London, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull
DEVANHA	8,165	16th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DELTA	8,007	27th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,341	30th April	Marseilles and London
NELLOR	6,858	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,155	13th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,918	28th May	Marseilles & London
KASIMIR	9,065	11th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,902	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London

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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

TAKADA	6,949	28th March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
JANUS	4,824	10th April	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TILAWA	10,000	16th April	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st April	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
ARAFURA	6,000	29th April	Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, &
TANDA	6,966	3rd June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st July	Melbourne
ARAFURA	6,000	29th July	Calla Kolumbagan but omits Sandakan.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

DEWANHA	8,165	20th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
JANUS	4,824	20th March	Kobe
TILAWA	10,000	22nd March	Kobe
TEESTA	6,296	24th March	Moji & Kobe
LAHORE	6,282	27th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MALWA	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	6,007	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
JEYPORE	7,648	13th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLOR	6,863	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHIVA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	29th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MOREA	10,963	29th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
TANDA	6,958	8th May	

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
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S.S. "TECOER"	Via Suez Canal	20th April
S.S. "CITY OF DUNKIRK"	Via Suez Canal	22nd April
S.S. "BUMABUS"	Via Suez Canal	8th May
S.S. "CITY OF DERBY"	Via Suez Canal	22nd May

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2 WEEKS' REPAIRS?

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The a.s. "Emperess of Canada," which was involved in a collision with a Japanese collier when entering Shanghai on her southwards trip, arrived in Hong Kong this morning and proceeded to Taiko where a survey will be made of the damage to her bows.

The damage, although not so considerable as was first thought, will necessitate a two weeks' overhaul, it is thought. The exact extent of it, it is not possible to give until the survey is completed.

So far as can be gathered, the "Canada" may leave later for the Manilla voyage or it is just possible that she may leave Hong Kong direct for the North (possibly about the 8th inst.)

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Sandskan	CHIPISHING	Tue. 22nd Mar. at Noon.
Tsain	YUBNSANG	Tues. 22nd Mar. at Noon.
Tsau via Swatow & Shantou	FAUSANG	Tues. 22nd Mar. at 8 p.m.
Canton	FOOKSANG	Wed. 23rd Mar. at 7 a.m.
Sandskan and Calcutta	KUTSANG	Wed. 23rd Mar. at 8 p.m.
Tsau via Swatow & Shantou	HOPSANG	Thu. 24th Mar. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Moji & Kobe	KWONGSANG	Wed. 30th Mar. at 7 a.m.
Tsau via Swatow & Shantou	SUISANG	Thu. 1st April at 8 p.m.
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FILMS AS BONDS OF EMPIRE.

The greatness of British industry and commerce having been built up without the aid of State subsidy, direct or indirect, any attempt to foster an undertaking by granting it special privileges is naturally viewed with disfavour. There is one British industry, however, which public opinion will agree deserves the fullest support. This is the film industry.

Ordinarily, as we say, the British practice is to leave an industry to fend for itself, with the result that once established, its basis is the soundest basis that any industry can have—the basis of solid merit. There is no need to emphasize the wisdom of this policy; it is to be seen in the greatness of our mercantile marine and the ability with which it weathers difficulties that involve the taxpayers of other countries in millions.

The film industry, however, is in need of help through no fault of its own. Before the war 25 per cent. of the films shown in Britain were British; but during the war British progress in the industry came to a standstill, and it was then that American competitors forged ahead until they secured their present supremacy in the British market as well as in all other parts of the world.

If this were the only reason that could be advanced for assisting the British film industry there would be no case for granting special privileges, since there are other industries that suffered severely through the war. But the British film industry has more than a mere trading importance.

The cinema can be made a bond of empire, little less strong than any now weilding the great British commonwealth of nations.

THE CHINA MAIL.

TREVOR CASE

OUTCOME OF YESTERDAY'S RE-HEARING.

SENTENCE PARTLY MODIFIED.

As mentioned briefly in yesterday's "China Mail," Major Wilson yesterday afternoon reopened the case in which Ernest Trevor was convicted on March 8 on two counts of theft from guests of the Glenelg Hotel and sentenced to one month's hard labour on each charge. The sentences to run concurrently. On another charge of possession of a pistol without a licence he was fined \$50 or in default a further month's jail.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ who appeared for the prisoner yesterday afternoon said at the outset that on the evidence produced before His Worship at the previous hearing, there was not the least doubt that the Magistrate was bound to convict. All he was asking for was that His Worship reconsider the sentence. Counsel said prisoner had no criminal intention in taking the things and as a matter of fact was not aware that he was committing a theft in law. He said he had interviewed Trevor in prison and had been impressed by him and he thought that if Trevor was permitted to go into the witness box and make a statement, it would bear more weight than anything which Counsel himself could say in his behalf.

In the witness box Trevor who stated that he was a salesman and he had absolutely no idea or intention to steal. He took the articles from Haynes' room as security for money due to him by Haynes—money which he had earned. He had got nearly all the advertisements for the "Hong Kong Ladies' Weekly" and was only paid \$8 for his trouble. He had asked Haynes time and again for the money due him, but without success, and eventually he decided to take some of Haynes' stuff to ensure payment.

As regards the article belonging to Madame Gauchier, Trevor stated that he thought the room where Madame Gauchier lived belonged to Haynes. He saw a few pairs of men's socks, a few ties and a few items taken.

Detective, Inspector Murphy: Your intention was to leave the Colony on February 27?—Yes, that was part of my work. I intended to return.

You state that you took Mr. Haynes' property as security. Did you let Haynes know about it?—No, I saw Haynes practically every day, and asked for the money due to me, but did not get it. I intended to treat the matter as a joke and give him the things back when I got the money.

When Mr. Haynes told you that he had some shirts stolen, did you not say you were very sorry for him?—He mentioned the matter in the King Edward Hotel Bar, and I could not tell him anything there as the place was crowded.

Addressing his Worship, Inspector Murphy said that Trevor, in applying for a permit for the revolver, had stated that he was a single man but (the Inspector) saw from a report in the "Sunday Herald" that defendant was married. Inspector Murphy added: "I am of the opinion that Trevor got off very lightly for the offence he committed."

Mr. Russ: I have the greatest admiration for the Police, but this is rather an extraordinary way of going on—this is going too far. I have never heard of Police officers dictating to a Magistrate before. I cannot account for the unusual zeal of the Officer in charge of this case.

In their attitude to the Chinese situation the Labour Party at Home are riding for a fall—if it is possible for the Opposition to do so. So far as mere words are concerned they met with their dereliction in the House of Commons, being severely trounced by two Conservative members. One of these, Mr. R. Mitchell Banks, got home a very telling point when he envisaged the Labour Party cabling their congratulations to the Indian leaders during the Mutiny. The idea is not so far-fetched as it looks. Anything is possible with Labour extremists who have openly taken sides with one of the belligerents in the Chinese civil war, thus playing into the hands of the Bolsheviks. It is a pity that the sordid game of politics is responsible for so much that is harmful to the Empire. Mr. Banks also scored again when he stated that it was not Mr. Eugenie Chen but the British film owners who had improved the lot of Chinese workers, and that if Mr. Chen wanted to improve their lot he began with the Chinese mills. This is an aspect of affairs in China that the Labourites are careful to leave alone in their diatribes against the Government's policy. The only thing to be thankful for at the moment is that the Labourites are in Opposition and cannot shake the Government's policy of protecting British nationals as a fundamental duty.

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VOLUNTEER ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.

MORE RECRUITS JOIN.

Nine more recruits have joined the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and the words "No. 4 Platoon (Portuguese Company)" appear in the orders for the first time.

Orders for the week issued today, are:

Recruits Parade.

On Tuesday all recruits of the Corps will parade at Headquarters at 6.30 p.m.

Dress: Mufit, rifle and bayonet.

Signaller Class.

On Thursday all Headquarters at 6.30 p.m. under 2/Lieut. M. G. Noll, O.C.'s Units will detail men whom they wish trained as signallers to attend and submit a list of names of same to Headquarters.

Mounted Infantry.

There will be a tactical ride in the Fanling district conducted by 2/Lieut. H. C. Macnamara by Thursday evening.

Those wishing to lunch at the "Hunters Arms" should inform 2/Lieut. Macnamara by Thursday evening.

Monday, March 21: There will be a meeting of all ranks at Headquarters at 6.30 p.m. to arrange the entries for the annual rifle meeting.

Armed Car.

On Wednesday, March 23 special class of Machine Gun Instruction under 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock at 6.30 p.m. for all members of the Mobile Column. A good attendance is specially requested.

All members of the Motor Cycle Section who can turn out in connection with the Kirkpatrick scheme will parade at Blake Pier this Sunday, at 9.15 a.m. with motor cycles.

Dress: Mufit. All who can attend notify 2/Lieut. J. E. Hancock immediately.

Scottish Company.

Musketry Part I. will be fired this Sunday at Stonecutters.

Range Officer: Lieut. K. S. Morrison.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or mufit optional but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belts must be taken. Part I must be fired in drill order whether in uniform or mufit.

Arms: Must be drawn from Headquarters on Friday.... and Saturday between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

In order to facilitate entries for Corps Rifle meeting on April 17 and 18, it is hoped as many members as possible of the Company will avail themselves of this opportunity of shooting.

Future Programme. A course on the Vickers Gun will be held every Thursday at Headquarters, commencing at 6.30 p.m. and a full attendance at such parade is solicited.

Thursday, March 24, at 6.30 p.m. No. 6 (Taikoo) Platoon will parade at Taikoo for musketry. No. 6 (Kowloon) Platoon will parade at Kowloon Docks for musketry. No. 7 (City Platoon) will parade at Headquarters for Vickers Gun. Dress for all Platoons: Mufit, rifle and bayonet.

Infantry Company.

No. 4 Platoon (Portuguese Company): The miniature range at Headquarters is at the disposal of this Platoon on Tuesday at 6.30 p.m.

Musketry Part I. will be fired by the Company on Sunday, March 27.

Arms may be drawn from Headquarters, between the following hours:—Friday, March 25: 9 a.m. and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m. or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, March 26: between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Stonecutters Range: Launch leaves Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Range Officer: Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell.

Peak Range: Firing will commence at 9.20 a.m.—last tram up 9 a.m. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. H. Owen Hughes.

Dress for both ranges: Mufit or uniform optional but belts, braces and pouches must be taken in addition to rifle and bayonet.

Strength.

The following recruits are posted as follows:

No. 4 Platoon: Ptes. H. A. Botelho, R. G. Xavier A. J. V. Ribeiro, L. A. Rosario, H. C. Remedios, P. M. Baptista.

Reserves Co.: Pte. F. D. Leonard.

No. 8 Platoon: Pte. E. F. Brown, No. 1 Platoon: Pte. D. L. Stewart.

Promotions.

Artillery Co.: Sgt. C. W. Langley, to be Quartermaster, Sergeant.

Armoured Car Co.: Ptes. R. K. Valentine to be Corporal; Ptes. T. W. Southam, F. N. Doodha to be Lance-Corporals.

Kowloon Scottish Platoon: Corp. G. H. Cuthill to be Sergeant.

[The appointments in the last "Gazette" are repeated in the orders.]

Transfer.

Pte. J. H. M. Andrew is transferred from the Mounted Infantry Co. to No. 1 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 2 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 3 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 4 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 5 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 6 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 7 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 8 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 9 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 10 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 11 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 12 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 13 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 14 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 15 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 16 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 17 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 18 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 19 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 20 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 21 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 22 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 23 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 24 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 25 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 26 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 27 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 28 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 29 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 30 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 31 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 32 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 33 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 34 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 35 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 36 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 37 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 38 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No. 39 Platoon (Infantry Co.) to No.

SUCCESS & CHANCE.

MEN AS "PUPPETS" OF FATE.

A LOCAL DEBATE.

"Tis not in morals to command success, but we'll do more, we'll deserve it."

This remark in Addison's "Cato" formed the basis of an interesting debate last night at the Y.M.C.A. The point at issue was not whether man deserved success but whether chance played a greater part than his own powers in achieving it.

Mr. J. B. Trevor, in leading the motion that man's powers were the determining factor, said that if it were not so then we had not progressed beyond the animal stage and our acts were not those of volition but due alone to the workings of blind chance. Success did not come without hard work and frequent disappointments: chance often played a part in it but it was man's own powers and his ability to "take the tide at the flood" that determined whether he would "flow to fortune" or whether his life would be "bound in shallows and in misery." If it were not so then we had lost the powers of free will.

Dead Men's Shoes.

Mr. Dand, in opening for chance as a deciding factor, traced its influence on the life of business men. It was a question of waiting for dead men's shoes and it was chance which dictated whether those shoes should become vacant to-morrow or some twenty or more years hence. Even if a man progressed steadily from office apprenticeship upwards it was not his ability necessarily but his long connection and acquaintance with the requirements of the firm by long service that determined his promotion.

In the realm of military generalship, no matter how clever a general was and how carefully he had mapped out his plans, chance dictated the form of the exact strength of the enemy at certain points and of a favourable or unfavourable wind in the case of a gas attack or naval manoeuvre determined the success of the engagement.

Mr. A. May, in seconding Mr. Trevor, contended that there was no such thing as chance but only laws which could be used and made amenable. Even in the case of the throw of dice it was possible for a man so to perfect himself in the "art" as to reduce the element of chance to a minimum and even possible that mathematics might evolve a law which would eliminate chance altogether.

Turn of the Dice.

Mr. Dand caused considerable amusement by asking Mr. May to acquaint him with "such a law when evolved." It would help him considerably in balancing the weekly budget. (Laughter).

The Rev. Mr. Wittenbach seconded Mr. Dand and caused considerable amusement by detailing how a king in the early ages tested the views on life of two people, one of whom was of the happy-go-lucky sort who believed in chance and the other one who regarded himself as the sole determiner in such achievement. The two men were imprisoned in a darkened room and a bag of diamonds and peas unknown to them was hidden in the room. The happy-go-lucky man accepted his lot with resignation and went to sleep and the other searched feverishly for something with which to alleviate his lot. Finding the bag in question he amused himself in eating the peas and, in the case of the diamonds, finding them too hard for consumption, he amused himself in throwing them at his companion in misfortune. When the King visited the men in the morning he found the man who had done nothing with the diamonds and the other with indigestion.

Examinations.

It was such happy chances which proved the turning point in many a man's life. (Laughter). From school life upwards a man's success depended on chance not to the elimination of his ability but on chance to a slighter extent. In examinations, a man's success depended on whether he had looked at the particular questions asked just before the examination or fairly recently with them fresh in his mind. It also depended on the frame of mind in which his particular paper caught the eye of the examiner. (Laughter).

After an interesting discussion from the body of the audience the motion was put and it was decided in favour of chance.

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MUSIC AND FILMS.

QUEEN'S THEATRE'S GREAT PROGRAMME.

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The greatest enthusiasm was witnessed in the Queen's Theatre last night when the Band of the 1st Battalion of the Border Regiment contributed to the programme, Lieut.-Colonel G. Hyde Harrison, D.S.O., and his officers having courteously given permission, when approached by the enterprising management of Hong Kong Amusements, Ltd., for the public to have this opportunity of hearing the Band.

Mr. O. W. Geary, A.R.C.M., conducted the Band, and needless to say the music was of a high order in point of playing; so much so, indeed, that a crowded house was quite carried away, and insisted upon encore after encore, with the result that the photoplay part of the programme was not a little delayed.

The programme was as follows:

1.—Prelude. 3rd Act "Lokengrin."

2.—Humoresque. "A Musical Switch."

3.—Characteristic Piece. "The Parade of the Tin Soldiers."

"Don't part them..." urged Geffrey's father-to-be. "They are both splendid little chaps. We'll adopt the winner!"

The tiny contestants had set their baby-teeth for a decisive struggle, and with their arms tightly entwined, as they toddled and tottered here and there until with a final pull, Geffrey had his "man" down and stood triumphantly beside him.

"He's the boy for us!" the adopters decided, and Geffrey came back to their arms unchallenged. But there were kisses for the vanquished—and certain other "consolation prizes."

WEALTHY COUPLE.

A BABIES' TUSSE FOR ADOPTION.

"HE'S THE BOY FOR US."

Geffrey, a sturdy little fellow not a great deal older than 2 years, has just become the adopted son of a wealthy childless couple in a novel way.

He was in the care of the National Children Adoption Association, of Sloane-street, Chelsea, when his now parents came along to make a choice from about a dozen very small boys.

As soon as Geffrey caught sight of the prospective adopters he conceived an instant liking for them and, rushing from the ranks of his companions, threw himself into their arms.

But there was another candidate for a good home who had suddenly taken a fancy to the visitors, and he, too, clambered for their embrace.

"Oh, the darlings!" cried the woman. "Let us take both of them."

"Don't Part Them..."

Her husband shook his head. "One will be enough for a start," he objected. "We shall have to make up our minds which one to take."

As though they realised that they had become rivals, Geffrey and the other little claimant suddenly seized each other, and an infantile tussle for supremacy began.

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Dungeons more grim than any used in the French or Russian revolutions or in the time of the Inquisition are to be opened in London at the end of this year.

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In the new building that is to rise on the ashes of the one which was almost destroyed by fire in March 1925 more than 500 wax figures are to be shown in surroundings more appropriate than used to be employed.

When a reporter saw Mr. John T. Tussaud working on the head of Mussolini, the artist turned from his work to say that the public expected another Chamber of Horrors. He prefers the more difficult task of modelling people who are worthily famous.

"We even have to hunt for Greek medals to help us in getting perfect likenesses," he said. "The greatest help has been that all the casts were preserved; some of them having been kept more than 100 years. To them, however, we are adding Mussolini, Mr. 'Tim' Healy, Mr. Cograve, Sir Oliver Lodge, Mr. Thomas Hardy, Sir James Barrie, Hindenburg, the Empire Premiers, Mr. E. Phillips Oppenheim, Mr. Jerome J. Jerome, Mr. H. G. Wells, Mr. Gerald du Maurier, Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch, and many more."

"In many cases we have to work from photographs, but we do not run the risk of a photograph telling a lie." He indicated scores of different pictures of Mussolini and a pile of books with illustrations of the famous Italian. The model which had grown from clay in four months was a likeness based on all the pictures, and not a copy of only one.

"We are not attempting any new methods of dressing the exhibits, or any new process of making them," said Mr. Tussaud. "Wax modelling is the oldest art, being practised by the Egyptians, and we use the old methods."

The new Tussaud's is to have a cinema to seat 2,000, a plant organ, and a restaurant for 600.

SNOW AND FLAMES.

BLIND HERO SAVES HIS FAMILY.

Wakened by the roar of flames in his bedroom, which was filled with smoke, Alfred Meader, a blind ex-service man, and the proprietor of a chandler's shop in Camberwell, dragged his wife and two children to the window.

He clambered out himself on to the sloping snow-covered roof of an outhouse, but crashed through a pyre-light. When he fell he was almost precipitated into the flames, but he clung to the edge and climbed out. He then assisted his family over the roofs of outhouses, and then jumped into a neighbour's backyard.

Meanwhile Louis Smith, aged 18, living in the rooms above the Meader's, awakened her family, and, carrying a two-year-old brother, she shepherded her brother and sister to safety down the smoke-filled and charred staircase, the mother following, carrying a three-months baby.

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WEDDING DEATH.

ARCHDEACON SAMUEL HEMPHILL.

THE BRIDE NOT TOLD.

The Venerable Samuel Hemphill, Archdeacon of Down, while at the altar rail in the parish church of Drumbeg, near Belfast, awaiting the arrival of a bridal party, collapsed. Within a few minutes he died. The wedding was that of Mr. Rodney Malcolmson, the Irish hockey international, and Miss Lily Woods, of Belfast. Mr. Malcolmson was present and the church was well filled when the Archdeacon collapsed. The Rev. R. Whitehead, the curate, was summoned, and half an hour later performed the marriage ceremony.

The bride was not told of the death until after the ceremony.

The Archdeacon, who had intended officiating, had been in indifferent health for some time.

On his arrival at the church he fainted in the vestry, but, notwithstanding this, when he recovered he entered the church.

He was a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin, holding the degrees of B.A., D.L., and Litt.D.

From 1883 to 1892 he held the Chair of Biblical Greek in Trinity College.

He had occupied many important positions in the Church of Ireland, including those of Chancellor of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, and Treasurer of Down Cathedral.

INNER HISTORY.

SIDELIGHTS ON PORTUGUESE REVOLUTION.

"AN OPERETTA PRESIDENT."

Paris, Feb. 11. General Costa, an ex-Premier of Portugal, revealed the inner history of the revolution when interviewed by "L'Ère Nouvelle." He says the revolt, which broke out prematurely, had been planned to occur simultaneously in all the large towns, but an unexpected incident upset plans. The president, General Carmona, went to Oporto to commemorate the first Republican revolt in 1891—a date held sacred by Republicans.

The cynicism of this act on the part of the dictators led the students to prepare for the fray immediately. They telegraphed to General Carmona, whom they described as an operetta President, asking him to stop the burlesque comedy and give up power to a responsible constitutional Government. This let the cat out of the bag, and enabled General Carmona to prepare to suppress the revolt.

General Costa declares that General Carmona's Government has dissipated a deposit of £3,000,000 in England, and has negotiated a loan of £12,000,000 in London based on the Portuguese tobacco imports and thus depriving Portugal of an important source of revenue. This exasperated the Portuguese people and fanned into flame the spirit of revolt.

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Major E. L. Hoffman, who has been awarded the Collier trophy for 1926, "for the greatest achievement in aviation in America". Major Hoffman directed the work of developing the parachute now in use by the U.S.A. and the armies of twelve other countries, extending over a period of five years, prior to 1924. Not a single life was lost in developing the parachute, and it is already credited with saving scores.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

A Reuter cable from London announces the death of Sir Henry Craig, M.P. for the Scottish Universities since 1918. He was born at Glasgow in October, 1846, the son of the Rev. James Craig, Moderator of the General Assembly Church of Scotland. He was educated in Glasgow and Oxford, and was engaged in education for several years. In 1885 he was Secretary of the Scottish Education Department, Whitehall, a position he held until 1904. He has written a number of books of the subjects of education and history.

Having been in the Government Service for 32 years, Mr. G. W. Coyle (Deputy Shipping Master of the Harbour Office) goes on Home leave to-morrow on the P. & O. "Mongolia." In 1895 Mr. Coyle joined the Royal Navy and he entered the Colonial service in 1904, receiving his present appointment in 1920. The duties of Deputy Shipping Master will be discharged by Captain F. Baylis meanwhile. The work, as some may know, is chiefly in connection with the signing on of crews, paying off etc., being done mostly in the Mercantile Marine office next to the Sailors' Home at West Point. His many friends wish Mr. Coyle a happy holiday and a speedy return.

Mr. W. M. Young, Deputy Chief Accountant, Ceylon Government Railways, has accepted the appointment of Chief Engineer, Palestine Railways, and will leave Ceylon about the middle of this month. Mr. Young, who is 37 years of age, went out to Ceylon as Deputy Chief Accountant, C.G.R., in 1921, and has acted as Chief Accountant on two occasions.

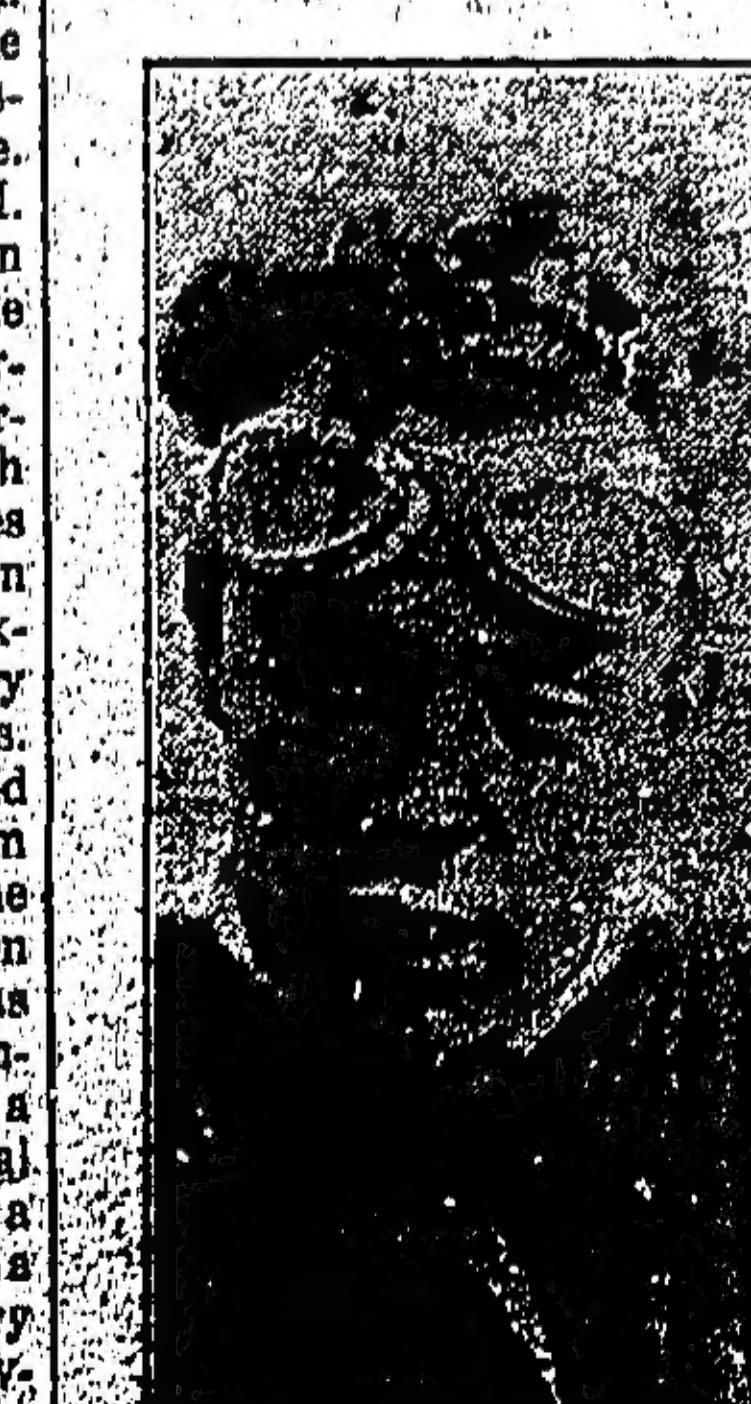
Deaths announced at Home in mail week include:—Mr. John Toulmin, head of George Toulmin and Sons, Ltd., proprietors of the "Lancashire Daily Post" and "Preston Guardian," aged 84; at Preston; Alderman Arthur Middleton Jarman, archaeologist and historian, aged 63, at Colchester; Major J. N. Blackwood-Price, an captain in the 1st King's Royal Rifles took part in the march from Kabul to Kardar, at Sainfeld, Belfast; Capt. George H. Rittner, of Tower House, Woodchester, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, formerly of Liverpool; a director of the Port Arthur (Ontario) Developments, Ltd., formerly the Unionist candidate for Hanley division; as the result of injuries received in a motoring collision, and Lieut.-Col. F. T. Cox, general manager of the estates department of the Birmingham Council aged 48.

The death is reported from Paris of Mr. Eugene Turpin, the famous French chemist, who discovered the explosive melinite. He was 78 years of age. M. Turpin's genius first burst upon the world when he revealed the secret of making non-toxic colouring matter, and shortly afterwards he became famous through his researches into the properties of picric acid. This resulted in the invention of the powerful explosive melinite. The discovery involved him in many troubles. He was charged with having sold his invention to a British firm after he had parted with it to the French Ministry of War. On this he was acquitted but he was sentenced to five years' imprisonment for having committed a breach of the French Official Secrets Act by publishing a pamphlet on melinite. After a bitter polemic with the Ministry of War, which he accused of having robbed him, M. Turpin was pardoned. He later became famous through the invention of self-propelling projectiles, a discovery which was afterwards selected by the French Inventions Commission. The first of these inventions was a self-propelled mine brought out by him in 1914, a relatively poor man, owing to his invention, became a millionaire.

A British wireless message from Rugby states that Lady Cook, wife of the Australian high Commissioner in London, launched the new Australian cruiser "Australis" at Clyde bank, mentioned in our shipping news to-day.

In succession to the late Professor J. S. Philimore, Mr. William Rennie, M.A., has been appointed to the Chair of Humanity at Glasgow University. Mr. Rennie is a present lecturer in Greek and Hellenistic Greek at the university. He is a graduate of Edinburgh and Cambridge Universities and a brilliant classical scholar.

Vice-Admiral Robert Edmund Ross Benson, C.B., whose death occurred at Winchester, at the age of 62, took part as a midshipman in the bombardment of Alexandria in 1882. He also served in the Egyptian War, in which he received the Egyptian medal and the Egyptian's bronze star. From 1914 to 1916 he served in the Great War, being made a C.B., and two years later retired with the rank of rear-admiral, being afterwards promoted vice-admiral.



Maj. H. O. D. Segrave, pilot of the English racing car "Mystic S," the world's most powerful racing machine, which will attempt to break the world speed record of 200 miles per hour, has invented a new and unique invention which he has brought out by him in 1926, a relatively poor man, owing to his invention, became a millionaire.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Race pony owners should note that entries close at 12 noon to-morrow for the Jockey Club's first extra meeting on March 26.

At the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club to-morrow, the racing classes are to compete for cups presented by the Service members of the Club.

A large variety of household furniture will be put up for auction by Messrs. Lammett Bros. at their Duddell Street sales rooms at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday.

Special excursions will be run to and from Macao to-morrow and Sunday, by the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., to cope with Hong Kong passengers. (Details in sports section).

Clothing worth \$78 was stolen from Mr. J. Andrews' house, No. 8 Moody Road, Kowloon, on Wednesday night.

In the City Hall, the undergraduates of Morrison Hall (one of the University hostels) are giving a concert and dance to-morrow night, beginning at eight o'clock.

Suffering from injuries received through a fall while alighting from a moving bus in Nathan Road, a Chinese was yesterday admitted to the Kowloon Hospital.

Four Chinese notifications of infectious disease were made in the Colony on Thursday. There were two patients from Kowloon with small-pox and another from the city. The fourth case was of enteric fever (typhoid), the patient being from Kowloon.

The Station Hotel at Mallig, Inverness-shire, was completely gutted by fire during mall week. This building, which was one of the most commodious hostels in the West Highlands, was a favourite resort of tourists. A rough estimate of the loss places it at about \$50,000.

An Organ Recital will be given in St. John's Cathedral by Mr. Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L., assisted by Mr. C. D. Lake, (Tenor), to-day (March 18), at 5.45 p.m. There will also be a Recital on the following Friday, March 25, at the same hour. Actv.

A fire broke out at Ince Castle, the Saltash (Cornwall) 16th Century residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. Somerset, caused, it is thought, by a spark from the drawingroom fire. The butler, Mr. W. Sinden, awakened by a smell of burning, roused the household, and the flames were extinguished after a considerable quantity of furniture had been destroyed.

According to a Reuter message from Rochester, New York, the Eastman Kodak Company announces that Kodak Limited, of London, has purchased a controlling interest in the French concern, Pathé Cinema, and that a new company will be formed, named Kodak Pathé, which will take over the operation of the Pathé plant at Vincennes on May 1.

The opening performance of "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney" will be given by the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Society at the Theatre Royal, at 8.15 to-morrow night.

Many leading publishers are taking rigorous measures to prevent the publication of libels on dead and living public men following the result of the Gladstone libel suit. Many publishing firms have always taken strict measures against the publication of any libellous matter, but all of them are now tightening up their methods to prevent last-minute additions to the proofs by the author.

The first of 12,000 houses which will eventually compose the two new twin suburbs of Watling, near Hendon, N.W., and St. Heller, near Morden, Surrey, will be ready shortly at Watling. There is a great demand for housing sites in the neighbourhood. The London County Council have planned for 4,000 houses at Watling and 8,000 at St. Heller, allowing for a total population of about 50,000. The Morden-Edgware tube will serve the new areas. St. Heller is as yet a tract of agricultural land.



The Right Reverend Pascual Diaz, Bishop of Tabasco, Mexico, the storm centre of the Mexican religious controversy, who was exiled by the Calles Government.

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SPORTS SECTION

INTERNATIONAL CUP

SCOTLAND v. CHINA AT SOCCER.

MYSTERY ABOUT TEAMS.

[By W.P.C.]

Following the example of Sir J. M. Barrie who told the Australians last year that he had a "mystery team hidden in the cellar" with which to win the Tests for England, the selectors of the local team to represent Scotland in the International Soccer Cup final to-morrow are very secretive about the names they have chosen.

To-morrow Scotland meets China in the final of the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup and a very keen game is promised.

It has been told that China will depend on the Chinese Athletic for at least ten men, the selection of the insider being deferred until the match starts. Normally, Fung King-cheung of South China A.A. would have been chosen but he is away from the Colony for a funeral. Should he be absent there are Ip Kau-ku of the Athletic or Ko Sik-wai, the South China half-back. The team is therefore likely to be:

Bau Ku-ping; Ng Kam-chuen, Lai Yuk-tat; Leung Yuk-tong, Wong Shu-wah, Lam Yuk-ying; Tso Kwei-shing, another; Wong Pak-chong, Sun Kam-shun, Chan Kwong-ku.

In any case the Chinese will have the advantage of knowing one another.

Scotland beat China in the 1926 final but there are good grounds for hoping that China will win to-morrow.

Should the ground be not too heavy from the rain, their chances are rosy. A water-logged ground will not be to the Chinese team's liking as their speed will be of little avail.

China rose to the occasion in grand style in defeating Portugal this season and should win.

But I am told that the Scotsmen have some dear fighters in their team and that there is confidence in their camp as well. Scotland will do well if they get a good lead.

To-morrow's fixtures are:

CHARITY CUP

"Sunday Herald" International Final.

Scotland v. China, H.K.F.C. ground, kick-off at 4 p.m.; referee Mr. A. A. Davies; linesmen Mr. J. Baldwin, Mr. J. Gilbert.

No decision as to postponement will be made until at 12 noon to-morrow.

LEAGUE

Division I

Police R.C. v. Club de Recreio, 4.30 p.m.; Sookkumpoo "A" Captain Austin.

Division II, Section "A"

Chinese Athletic "B" v. Kowloon F.C. Reserves; Sookkumpoo "B", 3 p.m., Mr. Cowan.

Chinese Athletic "A" v. University, St. Joseph's College ground, 3 p.m., Mr. Lamb.

St. Joseph's College v. Royal Artillery Reserves, Sookkumpoo "A," 3 p.m., Mr. Gilmour.

South China Reserves v. End/ King's Own Scottish Borderers' Reserves, South China ground, 3 p.m., Mr. Londsdale.

Division II, Section "B"

Moslem Club v. St. Joseph's College Reserves, Kowloon F.C. ground, 3 p.m., Mr. Phillips.

South China Boy Scouts v. South China "B," Shueh China ground, 4.30 p.m., Mr. Sumy.

From the league tables published elsewhere on this page, it will be seen that the Recreio lead in division I and the Koshies' Reserves in section "A." As a matter of fact, they have won the respective championships. However, there is the position of runners-up to be settled, hence the fixtures.

In section "B," Kowloon F.C.'s "B" team has withdrawn and conceded points to opponents in unplayed fixtures. The match between the Moslems and St. Joseph's Reserves is a play-off to decide the championship as they are level on points and have played all their games. The other match in this section will complete the fixtures for the season as far as these eight teams are concerned.

Having tarnished their unbeaten record, the Recreio will be watched with interest against the persevering Police team but the champions ought to win.

Both the Scottish Borderers' bands will be on duty for the international final to-morrow. The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall (vice-president of the Hong Kong Football Association) is to kick-off. After the match the Cup is to be presented to the winners by Mrs. R. M. Dyer (wife of the President of the H.K.F.A.). Messrs. Whiteaway, Laird, have presented the ball for the game.

DAVIS CUP.

DRAW FOR OPENING ZONE ROUNDS.

BRITAIN TO MEET SWEDEN.

Washington, March 17.—President Coolidge officiated at the Davis Cup draw on the lawns of the White House.

The first round in the American zone is: Japan v. Mexico, Cuba v. Canada.

The European zone first round is: Spain v. India, Sweden v. Britain, Denmark v. Holland, Switzerland v. Austria, Ireland v. South Africa. Second Round:

HOLE IN ONE.

Feat Performed by Local Lady Golfer.

Mrs. Lambert, the ladies' champion of the Colony, did a "hole in one" yesterday on the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's old course at Fanling.

She was playing in a mixed foursome and holed out with a perfect iron shot from the tee at the 12th hole.

Czecho-Slovakia v. Greece, Belgium v. Poland, Portugal v. Germany, Hungary v. Italy, France v. Roumania, Yugoslavia v. the winner of Spain and India.

All games are to be played in the countries named first, unless

MACAO RACE

INAUGURAL MEETING OF 2 DAYS.

STEAMBOAT HOURS.

The postponed Inaugural meeting of the Macao Race Club is to be held to-morrow and Sunday.

On both days, a boat will leave Macao about half an hour "or so" after the last race, giving people from Hong Kong time to get back

INTERPORT CRICKET.

Shanghai C.C.'s Invitation to Hong Kong.

Hong Kong has received an invitation from the Shanghai Cricket Club to send up an Interport team, probably in May.

Acceptance, of course, depends on the situation up North.

In 1923 and 1925, Hong Kong won at Shanghai but, last year

Shanghai came down here.

for the night. Sailing hours of the Steamboat Co. are as follow:

Saturday. From Hong Kong: "Sui An" 8 a.m.; "Sui Tai" 2 p.m.

From Macao: "Sui Tai" 8 a.m.; "Sui An" 5 p.m.

Sunday. From Hong Kong: "Sui An" 8 a.m.; "Sui Tai" 9.30 p.m.

From Macao: "Sui Tai" 4.45 p.m.; "Sui An" 6 p.m.

For a return ticket will be issued, usable on both days.

An announcement with regard to the big sweep appears on page 12.

Originally there were 6 races on the card for the first day and 8 for the second. I understand (writes "Patro") that the programme has been extended.

A number of Hong Kong ponies will be taking part and nearly all

LOCAL LEAGUE FOOTBALL TABLES TO DATE.

Division I.

P.	W.	D.	L.	For Agst.	Pts.	Goals
Club de Recreio	11	8	2	33	15	18
Kowloon F.C.	13	6	2	28	14	14
Police R.C.	12	6	2	41	12	14
Chinese Athletic	12	5	4	31	22	14
Scottish Borderers	13	6	1	62	20	18
Royal Artillery	13	5	2	61	19	12
Hong Kong Football Club	11	5	1	53	15	11
South China A.A.	13	2	0	11	6	26

Division II, Section "A."

P.	W.	D.	L.	For Agst.	Pts.	Goals
Borderers' Reserves	15	14	1	53	12	29
R.A. Reserves	14	9	1	25	13	19
Chinese Athletic "A"	14	8	2	41	31	18
Kowloon Reserves	13	6	3	34	25	15
St. Joseph's College	14	6	2	61	19	14
Recreio Reserves	15	5	4	27	28	14
H.K.F.C. Reserves	13	5	2	61	22	12
University	13	5	0	8	19	10
South China Reserves	13	3	0	10	8	38
Chinese Athletic "B"	15	0	1	14	8	56

Division II, Section "B"

P.	W.	D.	L.	For Agst.	Pts.	Goals
Moslem Club	14	12	0	26	9	24
St. Joseph's Reserves	14	11	2	1	47	15
Chinese Athletic "A"	14	7	2	5	17	16
South China Boy Scouts	13	6	1	20	30	13
H.K. Bank Portuguese	14	5	1	8	17	31
Chinese Athletic "B"	14	5	0	9	10	24
South China "B"	13	3	0	10	16	38
Kowloon "B"	14	2	1	11	16	31

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[Note: The respective Zone winners meet for the right of playing America in the challenge round. Each consists of four rights and one doubles match.]

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

There was no play yesterday in the Hong Kong Cricket Club annual tennis tournament as the ground was still unfit for play.

The following matches are down for decision to-day:

Open Singles.—T. Honda v. J. Cassumhoy; N. Tramitzky v. F. R. Redelius.

Open Doubles.—Major W. B. Stevenson and Rev. F. P. W. Alexander v. Capt. E. W. Morris and G. Sturges; Y. A. Wahal and S. A. Hamid v. R. M. Henderson and A. Blearley; R. F. Strange and D. S. Green v. S. E. Green and W. Hyde.

Handicap Singles "B"—Lt. A. E. Barlow (rec. 15/1) v. M. M. Watson (rec. 15/1).

HONG GOLF MATCH.

The annual golf match between the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank (Wayfong) and Mcsars, Butterfield & Swire (Taikoo) is to be played on the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club course at Fanling on Sunday.

BOXING MATCH.

"HERMES" DRAW WITH 2ND K.O.S.B.

BOUTS ON WARSHIP.

On board H.M.S. "Hermes" last night, the aircraft carrier's boxing team met the representatives of the 2nd Batt. King's Own Scottish Borderers in a boxing match.

Each team won five events and another was drawn, so that the honours were evenly distributed.

Captain R. Elliot, C.B.E., of the "Hermes" and Lt.-Col. L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O., (of the Koshies) were present. The officials were:

Referee: Mr. A. Murdoch, H.K.B.A.

Judges: Lt.-Comdr. T. R. Beatty (Hermes) and Lt. H. A. Kelly (2nd K.O.S.B.).

The results:

The results ("Hermes" men mentioned first throughout) were:

Flyweight: Ordinary Seaman Lambert lost to Boy McConnell on points.

Lightweight: Ordinary Seaman Lambert lost to Boy McConnell on points.

Mediumweight: Ordinary Seaman Lambert lost to Boy McConnell on points.

Heavyweight: Ordinary Seaman Lambert lost to Boy McConnell on points.

Light-heavy: Ordinary Seaman Lambert lost to Boy McConnell on points.

Medium-heavy: Ordinary Seaman Lambert lost to Boy McConnell on points.

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Theatre customs were revolutionised in the Festival Theatre, which opened at Cambridge recently, when:

Programmes that could be read in the dark were provided. Late-comers were given special seats.

Pipe-smokers were welcomed, and noise not objected to.

Another innovation was the provision of free seats for persons who wish to see a play twice.

One glance at the Festival Theatre's programme showed that something off the beaten track was to be expected (says the "Daily Mirror").

When the management of a theatre announced that "those who prefer to arrive late at a performance will do so without being made to feel uncomfortable," one assumed that something in the nature of a revolution was occurring in the theatrical world.

Late-comers at the Festival Theatre were not snubbed, but they were made very comfortable in special seats, which they occupied until the first interval.

There are no rules and regulations at the Festival Theatre; the supreme desire of the management is that its patrons will enjoy themselves without restraint.

Pipe smokers are welcomed, and the audience, if they wish, can create as much noise as they like during a performance—this prob-

G. B. S. AS PRODUCER.

Hearing that Miss Sybil Thorndike was rehearsing her production of "Macbeth," Mr. George Bernard Shaw wrote, "May I come?" (reports the "Daily News.")

Miss Thorndike and Mr. Lewis Casson (who is producing the play) said that they would be delighted, and so the next rehearsal began with Shaw occupying a seat in the stalls.

He did not stay there long, however. In the middle of a scene he cried, "Wait a minute Lewis," disappeared from the stalls and a minute later reappeared on the stage.

"I think it would be better to take the entrance like that," he suggested. "And I think Ainsley ought to do this," he went on. In a few seconds he had taken complete charge of the stage.

A cheerful and informed noise was made, and it was all much to the taste of a large and enthusiastic audience—an audience more predominantly youthful than is usually seen in the concert room.

This thing has a vogue, and everything, good and bad, was applauded down to a sentimental saxophone solo "that was no better than that street musicians play to us any day for nothing."

Ugly:

Two pieces of some pretensions were on the programme: Eric Coates' "Fantasy," "The Three Bears," and Leighton Lucas's "Dance Suite" (Fox Trot, Waltz, Blues, Charleston).

"On the whole these white musicians gave one an impression of some unseasiness and affectation in their emulation of the art of Dixieland. The simple Negro playing the doceo with the complicated instruments of civilisation does this kind of thing more spontaneously."

In the conductor's fantasia, "Hyltonisms," the solo by a clever trombonist was detestably ugly, but the first trumpet played agreeably as well as brilliantly.

JAZZ AT ALBERT HALL.

Shades of the Prince
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Mr. Jack Hylton's Jazz Band gave an entertainment at the Albert Hall. What would the Prince Consort have said? asks a Home critic.

We say "Jazz" for convenience sake. It is a better word than American Dance Band or Syncopated Orchestra.

These people's pride in their syncopation is childlike—the device is one which the great musicians from Bach to Stravinsky have considerably used.

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MUSIC CONDUCTORS' PANEL.

Sir Walford Davies, speaking from 2LO, draw the attention of keen musicians in the neighbourhood of London to the fact that there was now a panel of conductors who were willing to conduct singing classes who could not afford to pay for a professional conductor. There was a group of delightful people, he said, who were simply waiting and "pawing the ground" for work anywhere in London and ten miles around. It was important for those who had small choral societies and singing classes and were wondering how they would carry on in the winter that they should know that there were people who were waiting to serve them. It was a public service and there were no expenses.

Sir Walford added: "Write to Mr. Fairfax Jones, the secretary of the British Federation of Musical Competition Festivals, at 8, Central Buildings, S.W. 1, and if you are within ten miles of London he will send you a teacher and an accompanist if you want one." The federation was not only willing to send conductors where they were wanted, but it would arrange for a series of classes for training conductors if a sufficient number in any district wished to attend. A nominal charge would be made to cover expenses.

THE LIFE OF A BEE.

Intimate revelations of the life of a bee are made in a film called "The Adventures of Maya the Bee," which has been shown at the Marble Arch Pavilion.

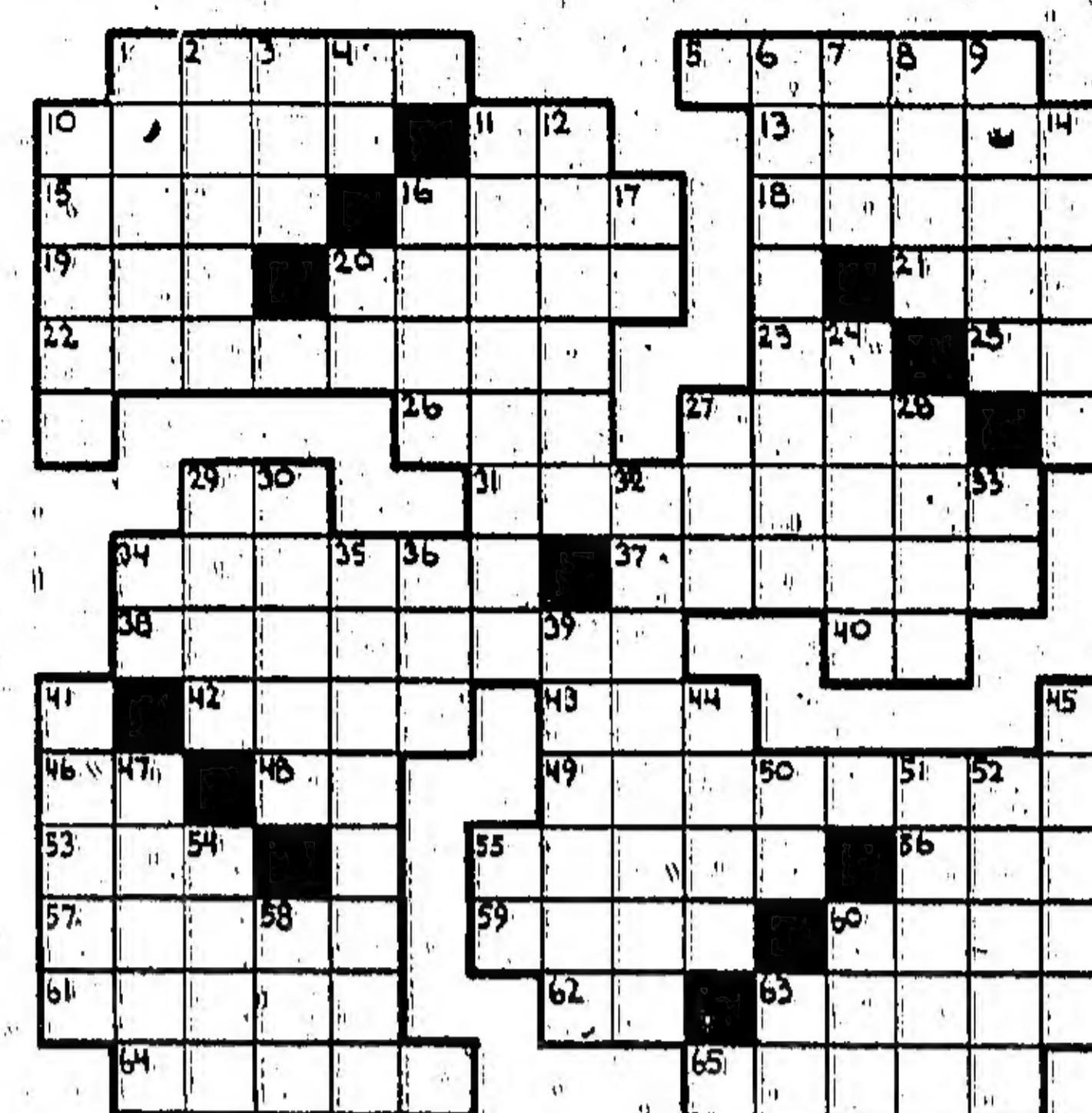
Large as a bull on the screen, the young bee Maya sets forth on a honey-gathering journey and shows the audience many fascinating sights on her way. A family of engorged rabbits, Horace the owl, the birth of a dragon-fly who afterwards lays a peaceful bluebottle, a nestful of slow-worms emerging from eggs, ants, and rose-beetles catch in turn are revealed.

Maya aids a beetle who has fallen helplessly on his back and the beetle valiantly rescues her from a spider's web. There is, too, a battle "royal" between bees and hornets.

A full-length romance with insect instead of human actors, this picture has taken four years to make. It is a triumph of ingenuity, and will delight children and fascinate adults.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert, but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



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HORIZONTAL (Cont.)		HORIZONTAL (Cont.)		VERTICAL (Cont.)	
1-A cereal between wheat and barley	53-Simplistic	20-Guineas (abbr.)	24-Girl's name	28-Through	
8-An ear, as of grain	54-Saint	21-The sun	29-A short distance	30-A certain day in old Roman calendar	
10-Offices	55-Restrained	37-An island, S. E. of Greece	31-In music, time	32-Costly	
12-Orchis (abbr.)	56-Spill	38-A fixed gaze	33-A holy man (abbr.)	34-Part of the Bible (abbr.)	
15-Banjo-shaped vessel	57-A caon (poet.)	62-Personal pronoun	35-A good-for-nothing (Irish)	36-Male child	
16-Food (slang)	58-Altitude (abbr.)	63-To shatter	37-One of the Apostles	38-One of the Apostles	
18-A caon (poet.)	59-T comprehend	64-A sharp, burning pain	41-Being of the air	42-Brilliant	
20-T comprehend	21-Even (contr.)	65-To mortify	43-Male red deer (pl.)	44-Social group	
22-Agreesable	23-A musical note	7-Sumx. Pertaining to	45-N. Amer. State of U.S. (abbr.)	46-Notable	
25-Prefix: Two	26-A prefix	8-A hawklike bird	47-The Mohammedan religion	48-Interjection	
28-A prickly flower-head	29-A caon (poet.)	9-Went wrong	49-Entombed	50-Saint	
27-Legumes	30-Phonon	10-The caon (poet.)	51-The Savoy Theatre, Strand, W.C. (abbr.)	52-Saint	
31-Young hares	32-A Russian aspox, sea	11-Composed of grains	53-The sun	54-The Overland China Mail	
34-A Russian aspox, sea	35-A hawklike bird	12-Extend over	55-The Savoy Theatre, Strand, W.C. (abbr.)	56-Name isn't	
37-A little arm	38-Bee	13-Hard fruit of some tree	56-Entombed	57-Name isn't	
38-Bee	39-Entombed	14-Left hand (abbr.)	58-Name isn't	58-Name isn't	
40-Elastic (abbr.)	41-Extend over	15-Latin for "oil" (abbr.)	59-Name isn't	60-Saint	
42-Extend over	43-Hard fruit of some tree	16-Latin for "oil" (abbr.)	61-The Overland China Mail	62-Saint	
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

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On the 115th anniversary of the birth of Charles Dickens, there was the yearly pilgrimage to his tomb in Westminster Abbey.

Lands and Cheshire Coal Association have decided to reduce the best house coal 2s. 6d. a ton and coking coal 1s. 6d. a ton.

Portraits by Gilbert Stuart of Miss Ann Barry and Miss Mary Barry realised 1,300 and 1,000 guineas respectively at Christie's.

Guy Motors Ltd., of Fallings Park, Wolverhampton, has received a repeat order for 99 omnibus chassis from Rio de Janeiro Tramways.

Driven ashore at Kingsdown, near Deal, during the Channel gale on Christmas Eve, the Harwich steamer "Mistley" has been refloated.

By the addition of a new power unit at Neasden capable of developing 25,000 horse-power, more trains will be run on the Metropolitan Railway.

More than double the customary number of wireless licences have been taken out daily in the Southampton area since six wireless "pirates" were fined.

The Prince of Wales and Prince Henry will attend the annual dinner of the Farmers' Union at Melton Mowbray and Prince George also may be present.

Fifteen specially selected non-commissioned officers of the regular Army are included in the entry of 100 new cadets to the Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

The Prince of Wales has promised to visit Northampton for the children's festival at the end of June, and will inspect the boot factories and leather works.

Owing to illness June, the musical comedy actress, is unable to go on tour with the musical play, "Happy Go Lucky," and Miss Margaret Campbell will take her part.

The Peruvian steamer "Huallaga," 4,408 tons, struck the Piedra Blanca rocks off Valparaiso and will probably become a total wreck, but the passengers and crew were rescued.

Police officers in plain clothes raided the Italia Social Club, Great Bath Street, Clerkenwell, E.C., seized the books, and took the names and addresses of the 50 persons present.

A syndicate dominated by German technical influence and pledged to use Zeppelins has secured the contract to operate a State-aided airship service from Seville across the South Atlantic to Buenos Aires.

The estimated loss caused by fires in the L.C.C. area in 1926 was £453,622, compared with £600,411 in 1925, according to the report issued by the Chief Officer of the London Fire Brigade, Mr. A. R. Dyer.

It is expected that when Dr. Duisburg, president of the Federation of German Industry, returns from Egypt in April a visit of members of the Federation of British Industries to Germany will take place.

The Carlton Theatre, which is being built in the Haymarket, will be opened in April with a new musical play, "Lady Luck," in which Miss Phyllis Monkman, Mr. Laddie Cliff, and Mr. Leslie Henson are to have the chief parts.

A diploma recording the inscription of his name in the Golden Book of Zionism was bestowed on Viscount Chilston, British Minister to Austria, at a reception he gave to Baron Alphonse de Rothschild and leading Vienna Jews.

DENTITION.

There are few more trying times for the mother than when her child is teething. She, herself, is frequently reduced to a state of nervous exhaustion through her efforts to soothe the sufferer, and her distress at her seeming inability to relieve it of pain.

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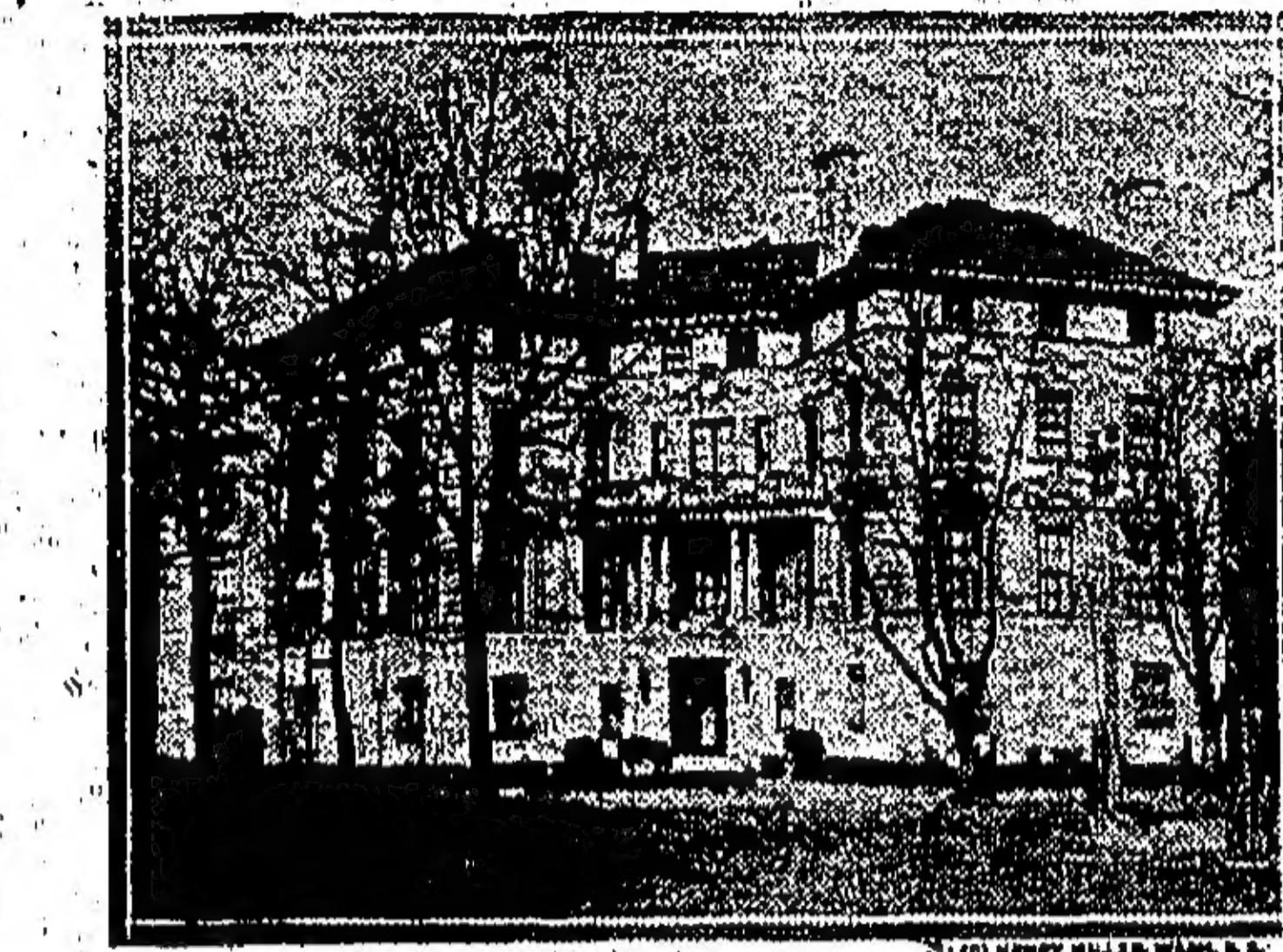
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Faced with the threat of a rate increase of 1s. 4d. Hull City Council sent back the estimates of all committees with instructions to effect drastic economies.

To encourage home and foreign markets British steamers have decided to make no change in prices, although faced with a substantial and immediate increase in railway rates.

A second death, that of Leonard Garrett, of Paul Street, Stratford, E., has taken place as the result of the explosion at the chemical works of Messrs. Johnson and Sons, at Hendon, N.W.



This beautiful mansion, known to fashionable Washington as the Patterson House, has been selected by President and Mrs. Coolidge to serve as the temporary White House during the period that the real White House will be undergoing extensive repairs. The home is on Dupont Circle in a fashionable neighborhood and is owned by Mrs. Elmer Schlesinger, wife of a New York broker. She is a daughter of the late Robert W. Patterson, who built the house and before marriage to the New York financier was the wife of Count Gleyck.

Mr. J. Paterson's Upton Lad, who is engaged in the Grand National, won the Amateurs' Steeplechase at Warwick.

Stolen from the parking-place in Aldwych, a two-seater motor-car was discovered abandoned a short distance away.

It is understood that the ban in the United States on borrowings by countries which have not funded their war debts has been removed. Intended to be an incentive to debt funding, the ban is stated to have resulted merely in a handicap to American foreign investment.

A Northamptonshire county branch of the National Playing Fields Association has been formed.

Mr. Joseph Duveen paid £54,000 for portrait by Rembrandt of his son Titus; at the sale of the collection of the late Mr. Charles Stillman. This is a record price for a picture in America.

The death occurred at Mudeford, Christchurch, of Capt. Henry Arthur Beverley Shrub, R.N., who for 12 years was secretary of the Hampshire Division of the National Unionist Association.

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